

EXHIBIT 8

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Richmond Division**

ePLUS iNC.,)	
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Plaintiff,)	Civil Action No. 3:09-CV-620 (REP)
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v.)	
)	
LAWSON SOFTWARE, INC.,)	
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Defendant.)	

**PLAINTIFF ePLUS iNC.’S FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL ANSWERS AND OBJECTIONS
TO DEFENDANT LAWSON SOFTWARE, INC.’S SECOND SET OF
INTERROGATORIES**

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 33 and Local Rule 26(c), Plaintiff ePlus inc. (“ePlus” or “Plaintiff”), by and through its attorneys, hereby objects to and answers the Second Set of Interrogatories (“Interrogatories”) served by Defendant Lawson Software, Inc. (“Defendant” or “Lawson”) upon ePlus.

GENERAL OBJECTIONS

ePlus makes the following General Objections, whether or not separately set forth in response to each Interrogatory, to each and every instruction, definition, and question posed in the Interrogatories:

1. ePlus objects to Defendant’s Second Set of Interrogatories, including the Definitions and Instructions, to the extent they seek to impose discovery obligations beyond those imposed by the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and/or other applicable law.

INTERROGATORY NO. 5:

If ePlus contends that any Defendant has willfully infringed any of the patents-in-suit, describe in detail the basis for your contention, state all facts and identify all documents that support ePlus's contention, and identify all person(s) with knowledge about such contention.

OBJECTIONS:

ePlus objects to this Interrogatory to the extent that it calls for information protected from discovery by the attorney-client privilege and/or the work product doctrine. ePlus also objects to this Interrogatory as overly broad and unduly burdensome. ePlus further objects to this Interrogatory to the extent that it seeks information that is within the possession of Defendant.

ePlus objects to this Interrogatory as premature because fact discovery has just commenced and Lawson has not yet produced any documents in response to ePlus' document requests. Any meaningful response to this Interrogatory is predicated on Lawson's responses to discovery requested by ePlus which has not yet been answered.

Additionally, ePlus objects to this Interrogatory as vague, ambiguous and overly burdensome to the extent that it relies on the definition of "Defendants."

Subject to and without waiver of its General and Specific Objections, ePlus will provide a response to this Interrogatory.

ANSWER TO INTERROGATORY NO. 5:

Lawson has had at least constructive knowledge of the patents-in-suit since no later than October 2003, at which time ePlus began marking its commercial products covered by the patents-in-suit pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 287(a). ePlus has been systematically and continuously marking its commercial products since that time. *See, e.g.*, ePlus trial exhibits 600, 754, 715 and 716 from the *ePlus v. SAP* litigation (produced as ePLUS 0009339-40, 0009390-91, 0027401, 0028482, 0030545, 0037014-15, 0047323-24, 0113980, 0113995, 0229212-20, 0274902 and

0274903).

Lawson competes with *ePlus* for customers and sales of Electronic Sourcing and Procurement Systems and Services and, on information and belief, has actual knowledge that *ePlus*'s Electronic Sourcing and Procurement Systems are patented.

On information and belief, Lawson has direct knowledge from press reports and independent investigation of *ePlus*'s patent rights. *See, e.g., ePlus* trial exhibits 600 and 691 from the *ePlus v. SAP* litigation.

Moreover, *ePlus* made allegations of infringement against Lawson when it filed its Complaint in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware on May 4, 2009. Additionally, such charges of infringement were contained in the Complaint filed in the current litigation on May 19, 2009.

Lawson has continued to infringe the patents-in-suit, despite having knowledge of the patents-in-suit. Such continued infringement with present knowledge of *ePlus*'s patent rights and their relevance to Lawson's Electronic Sourcing and Procurement System products and services is reckless and willful.

ePlus maintains its above-stated objections and notes that Lawson has just began production of documents responsive to *ePlus*'s document requests. Lawson's document production and other discovery responses may enable *ePlus* to more fully answer this interrogatory. *ePlus* reserves the right to supplement its answer to this interrogatory once it receives Lawson's document production and has had an opportunity to review and assess it and propound any follow-up discovery necessitated by such production.

SUPPLEMENTAL ANSWER TO INTERROGATORY NO. 5:

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INTERROGATORY NO. 6:

State all facts and identify all documents, things, and testimony that you contend constitute objective evidence of the non-obviousness of each asserted claim of the patents-in-suit.

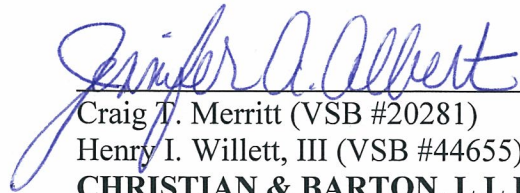
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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

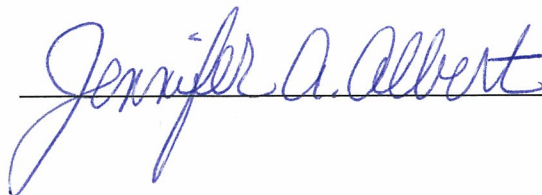
I hereby certify that on the 12th day of March, 2010, I will serve Plaintiff ePlus inc.'s First Supplemental Answers and Objections to Defendant Lawson Software, Inc.'s Second Set of Interrogatories, on the following counsel of record as indicated:

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